

# WEEKLY DENTAL UPDATE



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#### PASSING OF CAPT THOMAS H. SUGG, DC, USN (Ret)

Shipmates, it is with deep regret that I inform you of the passing of **Captain Thomas H. Sugg, DC, USN (Ret)**.

Dr. Thomas H. Sugg, (CAPT, USN Dental Corps, Ret), 84, died on December 13, 2022, at Sentara General Hospital, Norfolk, Virginia of complications from prostate cancer.

CAPT Sugg was born and raised in North Little Rock, Ark., and was the son of the late William Everett Sugg and Beatrice Stephens.

Dr. Sugg is survived by his children Sheryl L. Sugg of Chesapeake, VA, and CDR Thomas H. Sugg, Jr., (USN, Ret) (Paloma), grandchildren Caroline L. Sugg of Virginia Beach, VA, and Thomas M. Sugg of Denver, CO, and stepchildren Richard E. Hall (Ruth) of Floyd, VA, Suzanne Hall Pino (William) of Ellicott City, MD, and Charles H. Hall (Kate) of Virginia Beach, VA, and their families.

Dr. Sugg attended the University of Tennessee where he met and married his college sweetheart Louise Munson of Akron, Ohio. After earning his Doctor of Dental Surgery Degree in 1962, he embarked on a 30-year Navy Dental Corps career alongside his brother Dr. W. E. Sugg Jr., (CAPT, USN Dental Corps, Ret).

He and his family enjoyed dental assignments to Corpus Christi, Texas; Sasebo, Japan; Port Hueneme, California; Pensacola, Florida; Rota, Spain; US Naval Academy Annapolis, Maryland; and Norfolk, Virginia.

Dr. Sugg found joy in helping put pretty smiles on his patients' faces, changing their self-image and instilling confidence and a positive outlook. He embraced education, self-reliance, hard work, and a strong moral and personal code of conduct that served him, his family, and his country well. He enjoyed the opportunities the Navy provided for international travel and cultural awareness, making lifelong friends around the world. He learned to fly as a private pilot, maintained his own cars, and enjoyed the arts.

He retired in Virginia Beach, Virginia in 1993. In 1998, he wed Diane DeMers Hall of Virginia Beach, VA, at Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Virginia Beach. They were blessed to have found each other in life and love. They enjoyed world travel, their church, their children and blended families, and social activities with their many friends. In 2011, he and Diane retired to Harbor's Edge Retirement Community in Norfolk, VA. The family is grateful for the kind, attentive, and loving care given to Dr. Sugg by the Harbor's Edge Health Care Nursing Staff.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, Cancer Society, or charity of your choice. A private interment will be at Arlington National Cemetery.

Arrangements made by H. D. Oliver Funeral Apartments, Norfolk, VA. Online condolences may be offered to the family at [www.hdoliver.com](http://www.hdoliver.com).

<https://www.hdoliver.com/obituaries/Dr.-Thomas-H.-Sugg,-CAPT-USN-Ret.?obId=26669936#/celebrationWall%20%3E>

*Rest in Peace Captain Sugg*

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